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ABSTRACT

This book addresses issues facing racial and ethnic minority families. These chapters grew out of a conference at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, that focused on the strengths and resources of minority families. They represent an effort to share knowledge that can be used for the design of ethnically and culturally sensitive family services. Part I addresses issues related to the contexts in which African American families live, and Part II focuses on issues of resilience within the family. The following chapters are included: (1) "Breaking the Silence: Growing Up in Today's Inner City" (Alex Kotlowitz); (2) "African-American Families: Strengths and Realities" (Harriette Pipes McAdoo); (3) "Culture, Resiliency, and Mutual Psychological Development" (Nancy P. Genero); (4) "Indigenous Resources and Strategies of Resistance: Informal Caregiving and Racial Socialization in Black Communities" (Michael C. Thornton); (5) "Resiliency in African-American Families: Military Families in Foreign Environments" (Hamilton I. McCubbin); (6) "Housing and Neighborhood Satisfaction of Single-Parent Mothers and Grandmothers" (Marilyn L. Cantwell and Dorothy I. Jenkins); (7) "Healing Forces in African-American Families" (Cherie A. Bagley and Juanitaelizabeth Carroll); (8) "The Lack of Prenatal Care in Poor Urban African-American Postpartal Women: A Phenomenological Study" (Carol Sue Holtz); (9) "Level of Satisfaction in African-American Marriages: A Preliminary Investigation" (Michael E. Connor); (10) "Variation in Adolescent Pregnancy Status: A National Tri-Ethnic Study" (Velma McBride Murry); (11) "'Being There': The Perception of Fatherhood among a Group of African-American Adolescent Fathers" (William D. Allen and William J. Doherty); (12) "African-American Couples' Lived Experience of Infertility" (Su An Arnn Phipps); (13) "Observing Mother-Daughter Interaction in African-American and Asian-American Families" (Nancy A. Gonzales, Yumi Hiraga, and Ana Mari Cauce); (14) "Resiliency and Coping in 'At-Risk' African-American Youth and Their Families" (Hamilton I. McCubbin, William Michael Fleming, Anne I. Thompson, Paul Neitman, Kelly M. Elver, and Sue Ann Savas); and (15) "Resilient Families in an Ethnic and Cultural Context"

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